OSANAI RION, MEMBER OF THE EIAI ACADEMY GOLF CLUB, 2NO YEAR. A VERY CARING PERSON, ALTHOUGH HE IS A BIT HOTHEADED.

Robot x Laserbeam

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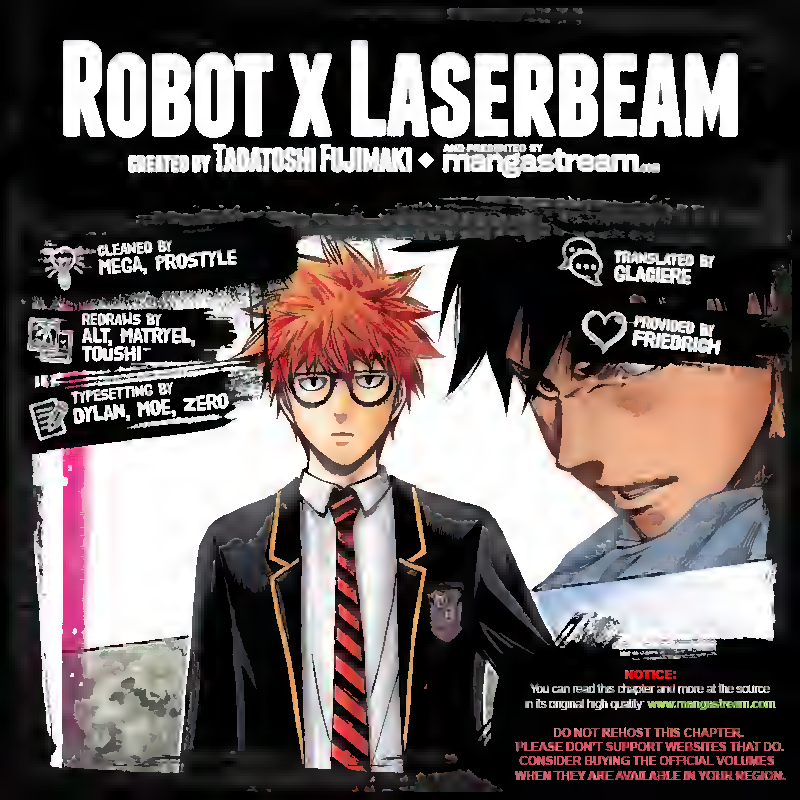

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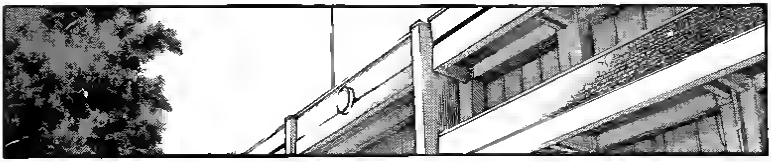

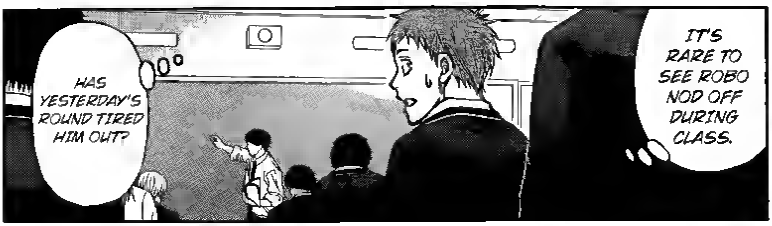

AFTER TEAMING UP, ROBO AND RION DESTROYED THE SCUMBAGS IN A TAG MATCH. THE NEXT DAY AT SCHOOL...

LISTEN, WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY?
YOU DIDN'T GET INTO ANY FIGHTS, DID YOU?
THIS ALL STARTED WITH A SORT OF FIGHT THOUGH
IT'S RARE TO SEE YOU NOD OFF, ROBO!
COME TO THINK OF IT, IT WAS ACTUALLY THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER SEEN THAT
IT WAS FINE WE JUST PLAYED GOLF
ALTHOUGH WE DID HAVE TO PLAY A 2 VS 2 GAME AGAINST SOME ILL-BEHAVED PEOPLE.
WAIT, WHAT?!
OH, I SEE...
THAT'S THE DEFINITION OF GETTING INTO A FIGHT.
THAT WAS MY FIRST TIME PLAYING THE WHOLE 18-HOLE COURSE
NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU AND THE REST OF THE CLUB MEMBERS HAVE RUNNING PRACTICE EVERY DAY
EH?
WALKING THROUGH AN 18-HOLE COURSE WITH A GOLF BAG ON MY BACK
REALLY TIRED ME OUT

I'LL ALSO HAVE TO TRAIN MORE
TO BE ABLE TO PROPERLY PLAY UNTIL THE END OF THE MATCH
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MY LEGS STARTED SHAKING BECAUSE OF EXHAUSTION, WHICH MEANT MY SHOTS GOT MORE AND MORE INACCURATE.
WE ENDED UP WINNING,
BUT THAT WAS ONLY BECAUSE RION WAS CONSTANTLY COVERING FOR MY MISSES IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE GAME.
MANGA STREAM
HATOHARA, WAS IT?
THERE YOU ARE!
YOU THE ONE WHO WANTED TO GET A REGULAR SPOT ON YOUR FIRST DAY?
LISTEN... ROBO.
OH, YOU'RE HERE TOO, TOMOYA?
ALL THE BETTER, YOU CAN COME TOO. YOU ASKED HIM TO JOIN THE CLUB, DIDN'T YOU?
THE ONE FROM CH.7
HELLO.
UM...
I'M UEHARA, 2ND YEAR

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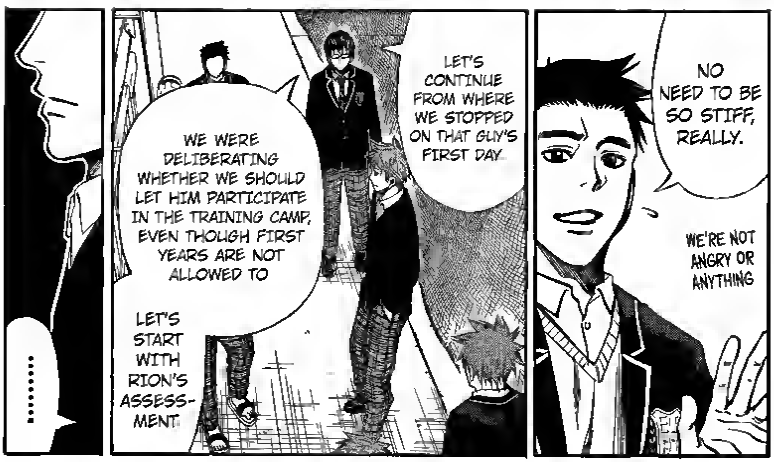
THE CAPTAIN HAS ASKED FOR YOU.
SIT
G'DAY!
COMING IN!

AH.
IT'S YOU.


NO NEED TO BE SO STIFF, REALLY.
WE'RE NOT ANGRY OR ANYTHING
LET'S CONTINUE FROM WHERE WE STOPPED ON THAT GUY'S FIRST DAY.
WE WERE DELIBERATING WHETHER WE SHOULD LET HIM PARTICIPATE IN THE TRAINING CAMP, EVEN THOUGH FIRST YEARS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO
LET'S START WITH RION'S ASSESS-MENT.
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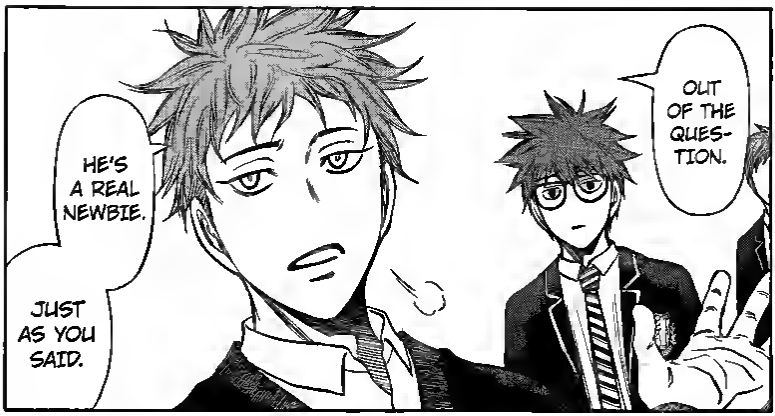

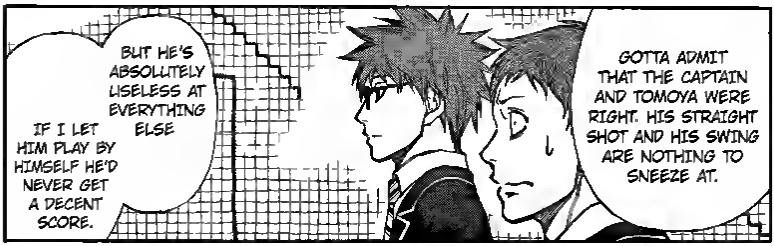
GOTTA ADMIT THAT THE CAPTAIN AND TOMOYA WERE RIGHT. HIS STRAIGHT SHOT AND HIS SWING ARE NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT.
BUT HE'S ABSOLUTELY USELESS AT EVERYTHING ELSE
IF I LET HIM PLAY BY HIMSELF HE'D NEVER GET A DECENT SCORE.

HE DOESN'T KNOW THE RULES AND HIS STAMINA IS SHIT.
LETTING HIM PARTICIPATE IN THE CAMP IS ABSURD.
SO WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TO CALL THEM UP?
IN THE END..
HOW-EVER,

MANGA STREAM
DO NOT MIRROR

THAT'S ONLY TALKING ABOUT HIS PRESENT CONDITION.
.....!?
WHAT I GOT FROM PLAYING WITH ROBO YESTERDAY,
EXCEPT HIS STRAIGHT SHOT OBVIOUSLY,
IS HIS ALMOST UNREAL ABILITY TO LEARN.
!
SEEMS LIKE ALL OF YOU SAW HIM MAKE
THAT SECOND SHOT ON THE 6TH HOLE
THAT WAS HIS FIRST TIME TRYING THAT SHOT, AND HE NAILED IT.
IT CAN'T BE
PRETTY SURE THIS WAS
KARASUMA WAS RIGHT?!
HIS FIRST ATTEMPT AT THAT SHOT

I THOUGHT IT WAS DUMB LUCK AT FIRST,
BUT YOU CAN'T GET SUCH A PERFECT SWING PLANE JUST BY BEING QUICK ON THE UPTAKE.
THAT SHOULD HAVE TAKEN YEARS OF PRACTICE.
SEEMS LIKE HE'S GOT SOME SORTA SECRET.
WHICH IS WHY I ASKED ROBO TO COME.
JUST WANT TO FIND OUT WHAT IT IS.
LET'S SAY WE SET A CONDITION.
LIKE, ROBO HERE NEEDS TO GET HIS SCORE INTO THE 70S BEFORE THE
AND THEN WE'LL ENDORSE HIM.

A NORMAL PERSON AT HIS LEVEL WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GET INTO THE 70S IN LESS THAN A MONTH.
BUT IF HE'S REALLY AMAZING ENOUGH TO MANAGE IT,
I SAY WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION FOR HIM.

OSANAI IS USUALLY A HARSH GUY, FOR HIM TO SAY ALL THIS
MUST MEAN HE REALLY SEES SOMETHING IN ROBO?!
CONDITIONS ASIDE, THIS MEANS OSANAI HAS ACKNOWLEDGED ROBO'S TALENT?!
OH...
OHHHH...
TOO MANY UNKNOWN VARIABLES
WE CAN'T GO CHANGING THE RULES BASED JUST ON THAT
NO.
THE SWING THAT WOWED BOTH HIIRAGI AND RION.
I WONDER HOW HE MANAGED TO PERFECT IT?
STOP BEING SUCH A HARDASS, GEEZ.
THAT'S WHY I'M PROPOSING A CONDITION!
SEE, SEEMS LIKE HE STILL HAS A SECRET.
REALLY, KURODA.
I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN THE RESULT.

I'M NOT HIDING ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR.
AND I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING SPECIAL.
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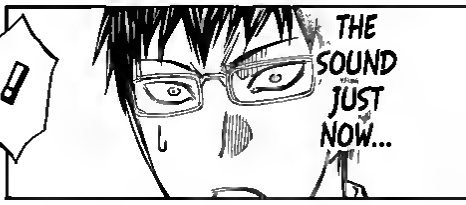
I'M SURE HE'S, LIKE, SECRETLY TRAINING FOR THAT OR SOMETHING...
HE'S RIGHT... I ALSO WONDER ABOUT THAT.
MY FATHER OWNS A RESTAURANT.
EVERY DAY BEFORE DROPPING ME OFF AT SCHOOL,
WE GO TO PICK UP THE VEGETABLES HE USES AT THE RESTAURANT FOR THE DAY.
?
JUST LIKE THIS.
ERM ...
CAN I BORROW YOUR CLUB?
WHILE HE'S HARVESTING THE VEGETABLES, I BORROW HIS OLD CLUB AND SHOOT SOME BALLS ON THE FIELD.

THAT WAS PERFECT!
OH! AMAZING...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THE SOUND JUST NOW...

YEAH.
HUH?
THAT'S IT?

THAT'S ALL.

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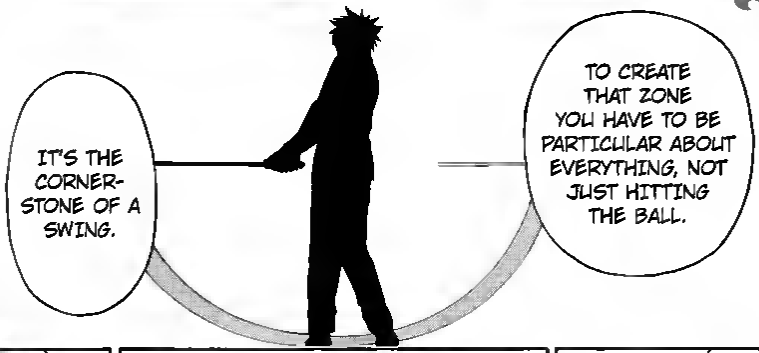
WHA-AAT?!
AND IT'S NOT A "WHAAAT"
I THOUGHT I'D SAY!
CAN I ASK YOU SOME-THING?
YES.
I STARTED EVEN BEFORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...
SINCE WHEN?
SO FOR ABOUT 10 YEARS
YOU DO THAT EVERY DAY?
I'VE ALWAYS USED MY FATHER'S 6-IRON,
AND NOTHING ELSE.
WHEN YOU USE OTHER CLUBS, DOES THE AMPLITUDE OF YOUR SWING GET BIGGER?
IT MAKES THE BALL FLY TOO FAR,
BUT FATHER SAID IT'S BETTER THAT WAY.
THE AMPLITUDE NEVER CHANGES.

IS A SO-CALLED "BUSINESS ZONE".
THE SPAN OF ROBO'S SWING JUST NOW
SAY SOME-THING WEIRD?
DID HE
... HUH?


IT'S THE CORNER-STONE OF A SWING.
TO CREATE THAT ZONE YOU HAVE TO BE PARTICULAR ABOUT EVERYTHING, NOT JUST HITTING THE BALL.

TO BE HONEST, I FEEL LIKE IT'S MISSING SOMETHING...
IF I SWUNG WIDER, I'D PROBABLY GET A BETTER RESULT...
SO?
TAKE HIS CLUB AND TRY TO MAKE THE SAME SHOT.
YEAH, I DON'T THINK SO.
I SEE...

NOT TO MENTION, PEOPLE CAN USUALLY HIT MORE OR LESS OKAY SHOTS EVEN IF THEY AREN'T THAT GOOD OVERALL.
BUT THEY'RE ONLY EVER OKAY.
THERE'S ALWAYS A BAD HABIT OR SUCH HINDERING THEM.
SO MOST PEOPLE START PRACTICING WIDER SWINGS AS SOON AS THEY GET USED TO PLAYING GOLF.
YEP. IT'S UNFULL-FILLING.
OF COURSE A SHARPLY HIT SHOT IS GOING TO FEEL MUCH BETTER BECAUSE THE BALL FLIES FURTHER
IT'S A TRAP MOST GOLFERS FALL INTO. . SO IT'S ALMOST CON-SIDERED THE STANDARD.
IT SOUNDS INSIGNIFI-CANT, BUT
EVEN IF THEY UNDERSTAND IT INTELLECTUALLY, FACT IS THEY'VE NEGLECTED THE VERY FOUNDATION OF THEIR SWING.
I ACTUALLY HAVEN'T SEEN ANYONE SO CONSISTENT WITH THEIR TRAINING.
ROBO HAS MANAGED TO AVOID THAT TRAP FOR 10 YEARS.
HOWEVER, DUE TO HIS PERSONALITY, OR MAYBE HIS CIRCUM-STANCES,

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN GOLF
IS THE ABILITY TO PERFECT YOUR OWN SWING THROUGH CONSTANT REPETITION.
AND BECAUSE OF THAT
HIS SWING HAS BECOME AN EXTREMELY PRECISE INSTRUMENT.

MUCH OBLIGED.
SUPERVISOR OF THE EIAI ACADEMY GOLF CLUB
MIDOUOKA AKIRA
YES...
YES.
OH, THANK YOU.
IN TOCHIGI, AT KISARAGI COUNTRY CLUB.
ISN'T THAT TOO FAR AWAY?
COACH
TANBA SHOUKO
EY! WE JUST FINISHED IRONING OUT THE DETAILS
FOR THAT PRACTICE GAME WE'RE PLAYING JUST BEFORE THE TRAINING CAMP
WHO ARE WE PLAYING?
WHERE?

THE BEST GOLFER OF HIS GENERATION, WHO HAS BEEN STEADILY RISING TO THE TOP SINCE HIS JUNIOR LEAGUE DAYS.
THE SCHOOL OF "THE EMPEROR", SUZAKU KYOUSUKE.

WE'VE GOT A RARE OPPORTUNITY, HERE.
NOT REALLY, THE OTHER TEAM IS COMING ALL THE WAY FROM SENDAI.
…!
YOU DON'T MEAN WE GOT...

OVERALL, SUZAKU IS DEFINITELY BETTER.
MIURA YOUZAN IS GETTING MORE FAMOUS BECAUSE OF HIS RAPID GROWTH, BUT HE'S STILL YOUNG.

THE REIGNING TOUHOKU INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.
WE'RE PLAYING LAST YEAR'S NATIONAL CHAMPION.

SOME EIAI ACADEMY FROM TOKYO.
EIAI ACADEMY?

SEEMS THE PRACTICE GAME'S BEEN DECIDED
WHO ARE WE PLAYING?

I MIGHT HAVE TO CRUSH HIM
YEAH.
YOU KNOW ABOUT THEM?
THEIR TEAM'S GOOD KARASUMA SOLITA GOES THERE.
BUT I'M MORE INTERESTED BECAUSE OF A RUMOR I HEARD RECENTLY.
SEEMS LIKE THE GUY MIURA YOUZAN LOST TO
IS A FIRST YEAR AT EIAI ACADEMY.
IF THAT'S TRUE, I CAN'T JUST FORGIVE HIM EASILY.
THE EMPEROR IS THINKING ABOUT A YET UNKNOWN FIRST YEAR. NEXT TIME, IN GRATITUDE FOR YOUR SUPPORT, WE'RE DOING A COLOR SPREAD!
WITHOUT MERCY.
ROBOT×LASERBEAM
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